

Rollins, Christopher

From: Deitz, Randy
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 2:55 PM
To: Maier, Brent
Subject: RE: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Thank you Brent. I know, my last name runs counter to the i before e rule of thumb. Hope all is well.

From: Maier, Brent
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 5:27 PM
To: Deitz, Randy
Subject: FW: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Randy – Had your name misspelled in my first attempt.

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From: Maier, Brent
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 2:25 PM
To: McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel; 'dietz.randy@epa.gov'
Cc: Schuster, Cindy; Keener, Bill
Subject: FW: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

All –

I alerted my Region X counterpart, Cindy Schuster, who forwarded me the following news article you might find of interest. Cindy would also like to join our call with Bob King once it is finalized. I will reach out to all of you in the morning to confirm whether we are doing a call at 10:00am PT (1:00pm ET) and provide a call-in number and access code.

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From: Schuster, Cindy
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 2:11 PM
To: Maier, Brent
Cc: Schuster, Cindy
Subject: RE: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Thank you, Brent. I found a story from this morning and will call you.

<http://www.alaskapublic.org/2013/10/28/storis-supporters-see-ray-of-hope-in-saving-cutter/>

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From: Maier, Brent
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 1:06 PM
To: Schuster, Cindy
Subject: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Cindy –

I wanted to make you aware of a call I am setting up for Tuesday with a staffer in Sen. Mark Begich's office regarding the Coast Guard Cutter Storis. Some of my Region IX colleagues are familiar with this issue. Please let me know if you would like to also join the call. I am trying to set the call up for 10:00am PT on Tuesday, October 29th, but need to wait to confirm until tomorrow morning when one of the participants is back in the office from annual leave. The short story is the ship is now on its way to Mexico for scrapping and there is not much EPA can do at this point. Please give me a call if you wish to discuss.

<http://www.navytimes.com/article/20131024/NEWS03/310240041/>

News article about how the Cutter Storis is being scrapped.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USCGC_Storis_\(WMEC-38\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USCGC_Storis_(WMEC-38))

Wikipedia listing on Cutter Storis.

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From: King, Bob (Begich) [mailto:Bob_King@begich.senate.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 12:41 PM
To: Maier, Brent
Cc: McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel
Subject: Re: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Thanks Brent. Got your v/m but am stuck in staff meeting. Might I suggest 10 am PT tomorrow for the call. 11 PT would also work. Thanks getting back. My direct here in DC is 202-224-0319.

Thanks

Bob King

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Maier, Brent
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 3:31 PM
To: King, Bob (Begich)
Cc: McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel
Subject: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Bob –

Your message to Arvin Ganesan in EPA HQ was redirected to our San Francisco Regional Office. I left you a voicemail and if you have some time available on Tuesday, October 29th, we could set up a call to discuss what our office knows regarding the Coast Guard Cutter Storis. Colleagues in our Enforcement Division's Waste Section as well as my counterpart in HQ Congressional would be the participants in this discussion. Please let me know what time(s) you might have available on Tuesday, October 29th and I can follow up with you to confirm.

Regards,

Brent Maier

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From: King, Bob (Begich) [mailto:Bob_King@begich.senate.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2013 9:08 AM
To: Ganesan, Arvin
Cc: Rollins, Christopher
Subject: Cutter Storis

Arvin,

I understand the EPA is in contact with Pacific Tugboat company of San Diego regarding the decommissioned Coast Guard Cutter STORIS. The company is towing the WWII vintage cutter to Ensenada, Mexico for scrapping.

We have been provided information that the cutter is not PCB-free as had been previously considered. A 2000 inspection found encapsulated PCBs above 50 ppm were detected in at least two samples of foam insulation. I am told that export of such a contamination is prohibited by Toxic Substances Control Act and the Basel Convention.

Senator Begich has a long standing interest in this vessel. We hope EPA considers this information seriously before determining its disposition.

Can you please inform me of the current status of the STORIS tow and any change in its status.

Thank you,

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